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LIQUID JET ASSISTED TISSUE
MANIPULATION AND METHODS FOR
THEIR USE

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed June 8, 2011 (Paper No. 20110420), the response date of which is extended to December 8, 2011 by the accompanying Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified U.S. patent application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim listing beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.